T.S.A ROCKS

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Do you think all fourth and fifth graders should learn more about technology such as using computers or how to cushion an egg so it won’t crack when it’s dropped? T.S.A stands for Technology Student Association and it used to meet after school once a month. Kids learned more about science, history and math in a fun environment. I think T.S.A should be brought back to Tohickon Valley because it was a lot of fun being with your friends and we learned useful things we need later in life. One more reason is that TSA met after school. TSA is awesome!

My first reason is that T.S.A was a lot of fun. It was fun to be with your friends outside of the classroom where you could talk and not be told to be quiet. The activities were cool because we got to use things you wouldn’t believe like marshmallows, eggs, and straws. These were things your mother wouldn’t let you use at home!

My second reason is we learned a lot of valuable stuff. We did a lot of cool challenges like building houses out of marshmallows and straws. That activity taught us about supports and frameworks. Many projects were completed in groups which taught teamwork and how to cooperate with people different then yourself. We learned about U.S.A history such as building the Empire State Building. The Empire State Building was built out of noodles. It was so much fun you didn’t realize you were learning facts at the same time. Kids learn better when it’s fun. U.S.A history is so cool.

Going to TSA after school was more educational than going to Life Span which is where many of the kids would have had to go. Since TSA was after school and not during school kids didn’t miss any important subjects like Math and Reading. Most parents were able to finish work by 4:45 in time to pick up their kids from TSA. Having after school activities like TSA added to our learning in a fun way.

As you realize TSA should definitely be brought back to our school. Being with your friends after school was a lot of fun and educational too. Learning science and technology in a fun way will make us want to learn even more. Lastly, going to TSA after school gave many kids an alternative to Life Span or missing important subjects during the day. Others may think that technology isn’t important but many scientists tell us that “learning physics makes you drive a car better, chemistry makes you a better cook, and with biology you learn to live healthier”. Educators inform us that kids learn things easier and faster than adults and we remember these things longer so we should learn all that we can before we are an adult. I love TSA and I hope you do too now!